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US politic deadlock threatens world economy: OECD

WASHINGTON (AFP) - Failure to raise the US borrowing ceiling due to political deadlock could force most of the leading industrial democracies into recession, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development said Wednesday.

Nine days into a partial shutdown of the US government, the OECD, which groups 34 leading developed powers, said that Washington's paralysis over the

budget and debt cap threatens the stability of the entire global economy.

"The current political deadlock in the United States is needlessly putting at risk the stability and growth not only of the US but also the world economy," the organization said in a statement.

"As the government shutdown drags on, the level of concern is ratcheting up," it said.

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Aruba's puts first electric bus in the Caribbean into service



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Aruba Green Energy Conference 2013 - detailing progress on "Our Road to 2020"



Franklin Hoevertz Managing Director of Utilities Aruba N.V.

The Aruban government is very proud to be host to the Caribbean Renewable Energy Forum (CREF) this year, an international arena for hundreds of ministers, administrators, scientists, engineers, technology providers and investors, and conservationists to learn and network. CREF is partnering with the fourth Green Aruba Energy Conference, which occupied yesterday, the first day of the three-day event, focusing on Aruba's plans and progress to attain the stated goal of 100% sustainability by the year 2020.

Such a goal is a far-reaching and multi-faceted mission, weaving together the threads of countless elements to produce the whole cloth of



Minister of Finance, Communications Utilities and Energy Mike de Meza

an island nation completely independent from fossil fuels, particularly oil, for its energy needs. It takes the vision of a multitude of individuals working diligently towards this result, and the opening ceremonies yesterday morning in the Westin Aruba Resort featured speakers representing some of the companies and groups involved.

Unfortunately, keynote speaker Prime Minister Mike Eman, the primal force behind this vision of a 100% sustainable Aruba, was unable to attend due to doctor's orders. Officially welcoming delegates from across the region, the U.S., Latin America and Europe, was the Managing Director of Utilities Aruba N.V. Franklin Hoevertz.



Jerry Butler Chairman CREF

"The task of attaining and maintaining sustainability had begun, but it will never end," began Mr. Hoevertz. He expressed his belief that this year's partnership with CREF is a fundamental necessity and a great step forward. "It will create a great synergy."

"Sustainability is not only about energy," he concluded, "though this is our focus today. It affects all other areas of our society."

Tourism - without sustainable tourism we are going nowhere. Neighborhoods, building codes... sustainability is not only for energy, it is for the whole society. It is not an option, it is a must. We owe it to ourselves, our children, and the coming generations."

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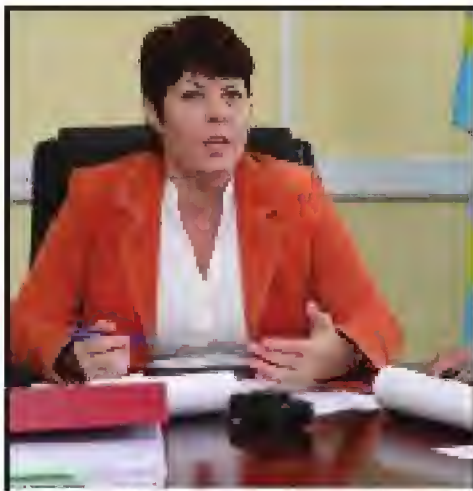




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Aruba also knows cases of human trafficking eventhough not on the scale of other countries



Jeanette Richardson-Baars October 18 is "National Day Against Human Trafficking." It is believed that on Aruba there are also cases of human trafficking. These cases are not in the same manner as in other countries, such as Thailand or Russia.

In the context of National Day Against Human Trafficking, October 18th, the Aruba Police Force wants to continue making our community aware of this phenomena which is affecting many countries around the world.

Jeanette Richardson-Baars, Coordinator of the Aruba National Task Force Against Human Trafficking, has reported that during the past year they held different activities. Among these activities seminars focusing on the actual situation of human trafficking. Partners from Bonaire and Curacao were invited.

This year, activities related to the day will be somewhat smaller. The activities will focus on our own people instead of giving so much attention to other countries who are also fighting this battle, according to Jeanette Richardson-Baars.

Departments having to do with external relations and with strangers/foreigners will be invited to give a bigger impulse to the message this year. The message



is... "You're not alone." This message is mostly directed to victims of human trafficking when they report a case.

According to Jeanette Richardson-Baars, in order to combat

this phenomenon, we need information from victims. Without information we can't do the investigation and begin a penal case to a Judge. When you report a case, you have the opportunity to get help. Perhaps you need shelter, you may need documentation in order to remain here legally, or you may need medical help, or any other type of assistance.

Aruba's Chief of Police emphasized that no one should be afraid to report a case the moment they realize that they are a victim of Human Trafficking. In all countries there is a manner in which human trafficking takes place. We need to open the eyes of our community so they can realize what is happening in Aruba as well. We must explain that human trafficking may not occur like it does in Thailand or in Russia, but that it is a reality.

The expert referred to cases where there is a maid in the home. Here this employee can easily encounter a situation where she can become a victim of the wrong use of power. In such a case this person should be aware and feel safe enough to report this to the taskforce.

Someone from another country who comes to Aruba and works illegally in construction, for example, will most probably not be reported because there are so many involved. But, there are situations where you could consider what the person is doing or how the person is being treated as human trafficking.

On October 18th there will be a special program from 8:30 in the morning until noon in the Dr. Edward Chung Center. Minister of Justice Arthur Dowers will open the session, which will be followed by a theatrical sketch by Jhon Freddy Montoya.

This will be followed by an analysis explaining the problem and what the actual situation is today. The Health Department will also share in the program explaining the role that sex employees have on Aruba. The panel will then be open to questions and comments from a panel.

Jeanette Richardson-Baars is extending an invitation to the general public to reflect on this day and to be sure to report any case of human trafficking. "Do not be afraid, you're not alone."

Accompanying photo shows a meeting with the National Coordinator for Human Trafficking along with various government departments who have the role of combating this phenomenon.

Plasterk: Aruba - only country in the Kingdom not under financial supervision



Minister Plasterk

Aruba is doing very well these last years. This was the message that Dutch Minister of Internal and Kingdom Relations expressed during an encounter last Saturday. Minister Plasterk was keynote speaker at the "het Genootschap Nederland-Aruba" (the Aruba-Netherlands Partnership) event. In a packed room the Dutch dignitary praised the Mike Eman I Cabinet. He qualified their management as fruitful and sensational.

Plasterk did not hide his satisfaction with the election

results of last week. "The Dutch government stays far away from internal politics of other countries, but I have congratulated Mike Eman with the victory of his party that has won a majority in Parliament.

Plasterk considers the election results important for the cooperation with the Kingdom. "...I am convinced that we can continue the cooperation that exists between Aruba and Holland..." said Plasterk. The cooperation is not only between Aruba and Holland, but also between the other countries in the Dutch Kingdom. On various areas Aruba is the guide in the Kingdom, according to Plasterk.

"Together we must find a new future for the Kingdom. As of 10.10.10 we are 4 equal and autonomous countries. Conscientiously I refer to them as autonomous and not independent, because in this world there are no independent countries anymore.

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Aruba Green Energy Conference 2013...

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Aruba's Minister of Finance, Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, Mike de Meza, is the de facto host of the annual event. He discussed how Aruba's ambition of 100% sustainability is essential to the island's economic welfare, and his hopes that the concerted, cooperative action will inspire others in the region. He chronically detailed the events that brought the current administration to it stated goal with the setting of a deadline to achieving it.

Since this decision, Minister de Meza detailed some of the progress made, particularly in establishing more efficient manners of producing electricity and the potable drinking water. The additional, and an important benefit of these methods, is reduced CO₂ emissions from Aruba's water and power plant, W.E.B.

Aside from a wind farm



Moderator Dr. Edward Cheung of NASA

that is already operating, the island is in the process of building a solar field at the airport, and the agreement has been signed for a bio-fuel plant, produced from the island's waste. The latter will have a doubly-important impact on the sustainability issue, as it will result in fuel while productively disposing of Aruba's refuse.

The next two gentlemen to the podium had only praise for Aruba's sustainability goals and methods in attaining them. Chairman of CREF, Jerry Butler, from The Bahamas, applauded the fact that since his last visit to the island, W.E.B. has cut their daily oil requirements for producing energy and water by over 30%.

He explained how CREF was founded with Englishman Matthew Perk, because they both agreed that one of the most significant challenges for developers looking at the Caribbean is the cost of energy. "I have people with millions of dollars they wish to invest in a hotel infrastructure, and they are looking for a place with sand, sea and sun." In The Bahamas, operating costs of a resort facility would run about .42 cents per kwh. On Aruba, it is now 30 cents per kwh. In Florida, it is



Peter Boyd COO Carbon War Room

.16 cents per kwh.

"If you are a pure capitalist as I am," continued Mr. Butler, "where do you think you are going to put your money? This is why costs of energy, and our ability to focus on that challenge, has become so important to us. The cost of energy affects the competitiveness of our economies. Each and every Caribbean nation, and Aruba is no exception, has to deal with the fact that our energy plant is fueled by fossil fuels, which is directly tied to the cost of oil per barrel...we are simply talking about an unsustainable way to make a living. We cannot afford to continue to power our power plants with oil."

"This brings us to why what you are doing in Aruba is so important. Many Caribbean countries that I have consulted with, I end up thinking, 'Wow, these guys are great talkers!' But you folks in Aruba, you are not talkers-you are doers."

"What is interesting about Green Aruba and the team we have worked with, is they are so young, energetic and vi-

brant, they are enthusiastic, innovative and they want to get things done. Most of those I work with regarding energy in the Caribbean have been retired for a 100 years... Here we are, for the first time, partnering with a country where not only has everyone the want and the need, but the drive and desire to succeed."

Aside from the tangible actions and methods put into place to reduce oil dependency, he lauded Aruba's educational efforts and "robust campaign" to change the thinking of the populace regarding recycling and reusing, along with personally deploying renewable energy sources.

Following Mr. Butler, The COO of the Carbon War Room, Peter Boyd, who is also Chair of the Energy Efficient Deployment Office at the Department of Energy and Climate Change, UK, came to the podium. He outlined the Carbon War Room's support for Aruba and observances regarding the potential profitability of switching to renewable energy sources, which complement the immediate and urgent necessity of reducing carbon emissions. He also unveiled their new publication dedicated to the subject,

"Smart Growth Pathways: Building a Green Platform for Sustainable Aruba"

Mr. Boyd's talk and conclusions will be examined in depth in one of several follow-up articles on the Aruba Green Energy Conference/CREF to be published in THE MORNING NEWS over the next week.

By Rosalie Klein

Plasterk: Aruba - only country...

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The Netherlands also depends on other countries. Within the Kingdom - on an equal basis- we must work on forming new cooperation that will result in win-win situations. With Aruba we are doing this, for example, with the development of a functional hub between Europe and Latin America," according to Plasterk.

Plasterk went on to remark, "Our relationship is more than just the professional element. I heard that 'together we can earn much money (as expressed by Prime Minister Rutte during his visit to Aruba), but we can

get even more benefit from our cooperation. I am thinking about education and health." In his discourse, Plasterk focused on the consequences of the world crisis on our public finances. "Like other countries this is a major challenge for the new government of Aruba. The debt of Aruba is around 70%, and this is a matter of real concern. It is something that many countries are battling with, including Holland." Stimulate the economy on one hand and social justice on the other hand and maintain budgetary discipline is a thin line. Of the 4 countries in

the Dutch Kingdom, three are under financial supervision. Aruba is not under financial supervision. Yet, the Aruba government is going to have to take measures. Plasterk referred to the government of Curacao that decided to increase the retirement age from 60 to 65.

Responding to a question from the audience, Plasterk said that there is absolutely no plan to put Aruba under financial supervision. he said, "that is not the case and is neither desirable. Aruba is responsible for her own finances."

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Aruba's puts first electric bus in the Caribbean into service



Important delegates attending the Aruba Green Energy Conference/Caribbean Renewable Energy Forum, (CREF) had the distinct pleasure of being transported to the opening ceremony in the Westin Aruba Resort via the maiden outing of Aruba's first electric bus, yesterday morning.

Present to enjoy the quiet ride was the President and Founder of CREF, Jerry Butler, along with a number of island ministers and executives from the Aruba's energy concerns. They boarded in Oranjestad, at Government House.

Minister of Tourism, Transport and Labor, Otmar Oduber, took official reception of the bus from the manufacturer's representative, Vice President of BYD America Corp., Michael Austin. Mr. Austin turned over the keys to Minister Oduber and the Minister of Finance, Telecommunications, Utilities and Energy, Mike de Meza, who then handed them to the Director of Arubus, Theo Croes.

Present of the unveiling of the bus was the Managing Director of W.E.B. Aruba N.V., the island energy and water provider, Oslin Boekhoudt. W.E.B. who was a strong motivating force behind the leasing of the bus, which W.E.B. executives feel is a vital step towards Aruba's reduction of fuel oil consumption and CO₂ emissions. Another advantage is also a noticeable reduction of noise pollution. The bus cost only .30 cents per kwh hour to run on Aruba, as compared to \$1.50 for diesel fuel that would result in the same mileage.

The bus was originally one of three tested at Stanford



University in California. Arubus has the vehicle on a six-month lease at nominal cost. It runs strictly on electric power, with three battery banks to hold the charge. The bus is plugged in and charged in the evenings, which only requires 3 hours to run for 24-hours, or 155 miles. Every time the driver uses the brakes, the system is also charged, "which is ideal in Aruba's stop and go environment," commented Mr. Austin. The "Fe" battery used is non-polluting, and the chemical materials contained in the battery can be recycled. The life-expectancy of the bus is 15-18 years, but the batteries can be used for stor-

age from wind or solar sources.

The bus is 39.37 ft. in length, and capable of a top speed of 62 mph. The structure is low to the ground and easily accessible for disabled individuals. The simplified engine is very easy to maintain, as there is not transmission or many of the vulnerable parts that wear out easily on an internal combustion engine.

A trip on the electric bus was a most appropriate and exciting start to Aruba's 4th Green Energy Conference, was the uniform opinion of those that experienced it.

By Rosalie Klein

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Aruba Trade & Industry Association names Steve Martina as speaker at annual Corporate Gala Dinner



Steven Martina

The Aruba Trade & Industry Association announced they will conduct their annual Corporate Gala Dinner on Friday, November 1, with

Marriott Aruba Resort & Stellaris Casino.

This year's theme is "Surpassing our Economic Expectations." Mr. Martina, who is presently the President & CEO at Guardian Group Fatum, attended Tilburg University and Delft University of Technology in Holland. He holds degrees in Information Management and Applied Technology. He is a guest professor at the Business School Caribbean, University of the Dutch Caribbean, University of the Antilles, and Intercontinental University of the Caribbean.

Ignar Reyes, Director of ATIA expressed his gratitude to the principal sponsors of this year's event, Aruba Bank, as well as other patrons: ALBO Aruba, Aruba Wegen-



keynote speaker to be the former Minister of Economic Affairs / Vice Prime Minister of Curacao, Ivan Steven Martina. The congenial evening with an sharp eye on regional economic affairs will be conducted in the ballroom of the

bouw Maatschappij, Guardian Group, ASTEC, SETAR, CHS and Romar Trading, for their support. Tickets for the ATIA Corporate Gala Dinner are available at their headquarters in Dakota. Reservations can be

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If the debt ceiling is not raised, it added, "our calculations suggest that the OECD region as a whole will be pushed back into recession next year, and emerging economies will experience a sharp slowdown."

"The magnitude of further possible negative feedback effects can only be guessed at."

Warnings from around the world over Washington's budget turmoil have grown in the past week, as Democrats and Republicans remained deeply divided on how to fund the government for fiscal 2014, which began October 1 without a budget in place.

Meanwhile the government faces a cash crisis as early as October 17, when the Treasury says it could be forced to default on obliga-

tions because it lacks the power to borrow further to cover a chronic deficit.

While the Treasury remains mum on which bills it might not pay, some worry that it could default on its debts.

The OECD forecast that failure to raise the debt ceiling, now at \$16.7 trillion, would force a contraction in government spending that would cut 4 percentage points from US economic growth -- currently running at about 2 percent annually.

"A default on government debt would result in an even more serious outcome," the OECD said.

"We trust in the wisdom of US political leaders to raise the debt ceiling and ensure the normal operation of the US government."

Rolls-Royce SUV will not compromise brand: CEO



SINGAPORE (AFP) - Luxury car maker Rolls-Royce will not compromise its exclusive image if it builds a sports utility vehicle (SUV), its chief executive said Tuesday.

Speaking to journalists in Singapore, Torsten Müller-Otvös said the firm known for its stately sedans is now in the early stages of designing its first SUV for the super rich.

"I have tasked our designers to come up with some ideas on paper how they would imagine our car, the Rolls-Royce, would look like in this segment," he said.

"This segment is interesting, it keeps growing and growing and growing, even at

a time when the whole automotive industry was quite in a crisis."

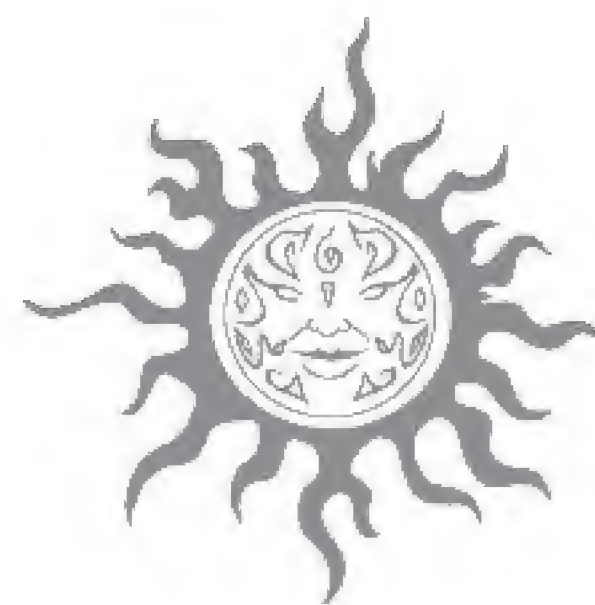
The auto press is abuzz over the idea of a Rolls-Royce SUV but Müller-Otvös said the BMW-owned British company would tread carefully as "Rolls-Royce is not sporty, Rolls-Royce is not utility (and) it is not in the genes of this brand".

"There is no decision yet made, and we aren't rushing it, and there is also really no need to enter that segment. It only makes sense if this can be credibly represented by Rolls-Royce," he said.

Bentley, Rolls-Royce's British-based rival, in July said it would go ahead with plans to launch an SUV by 2016.

Lamborghini, which like Bentley is a unit of German auto giant Volkswagen, is also eyeing the SUV market along with Fiat's Maserati.

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US stocks steady as as budget impasse drags on

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - US stocks were mixed Wednesday as the White House moved to convene meetings with leading members of Congress to seek an end to economic policy paralysis in Washington.

The S&P 500 and Dow were slightly higher, but the sell-off in tech stocks continued unabated from Tuesday, when the Nasdaq plunged 2 percent.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average finished up 26.45 points (0.18 percent) at 14,802.98.

The broad-based S&P 500 added a bare 0.95 (0.06 percent) at 1,656.40, while the tech-rich Nasdaq Composite Index lost 17.06 (0.46 per-

cent) at 3,677.78.

Markets took in stride comments by President Barack Obama's nominee to lead the Federal Reserve, Fed veteran Janet Yellen, who said she would keep policy focused on boosting growth.

"More needs to be done to strengthen the recovery, particularly for those hardest hit by the Great Recession," she said as she accepted Obama's nomination.

Some tech stocks that have prospered in 2013 pushed lower. Netflix dropped 4.6 percent, Amazon slid 1.7 percent and Facebook dipped 0.8 percent.

Apple advanced 1.2 percent after announcing that its latest line of iPhone models

will be launched in more than 50 new markets by November 1.

Hewlett-Packard, a Dow component, was another tech-sector standout, gaining 8.9 percent after the company said during an investor day that it expects an "acceleration" of activity in 2015 after another year of transition in 2014.

Dow component Nike tacked on 0.9 percent after projecting 2017 revenues of \$36 billion, up from \$25.3 billion in 2013.

Fast-food restaurant chain Yum dropped 6.8 percent after earnings of 85 cents per share fell 7 cents shy of expectations, due in part to disappointing results in China.



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International News

Madrid mulls fines for soliciting prostitutes

MADRID (AFP) - Madrid city hall has drawn up proposed legislation aimed at stamping out anti-social behaviour that would introduce fines for soliciting the services of a prostitute on the street, a spokesman said Wednesday.

Under the draft plan anyone found soliciting sexual services in public could be fined up to 750 euros (\$1,000), with the fine rising to up to 3,000 euros if it is done near schools or shopping centres.

The text also calls for the introduction of fines of 1,500-3,000 euros for anyone publicly offering to transport drug addicts to places where drugs are sold and consumed.

The measure is targeted at so-called "drug taxis" who gather daily at a central Madrid roundabout and offer to drive drug addicts for a fee to a shantytown on the outskirts of Madrid to buy drugs, the spokesman said.

The rest of the plan groups

together fines already in place for aggressive begging, urinating in the street, leaping on public benches, littering and other anti-social behaviours under one ordinance.

Begging outside of schools and hospitals and littering both carry fines of up to 750 euros while urinating in the street can be slapped with a fine of 750 euros or as much as double that.

"The main objective of this ordinance is to preserve the public sphere as a place for co-existence and civic behaviour," the draft document reads in its introduction.

The plan was drawn up by the city council, which is governed by the conservative Popular Party, following consultation with civic groups and business associations.

The text has been handed to opposition parties in the city council who can suggest changes and a final version will be put to a vote early next year.

Armed clashes kill four gunmen, three police in Mexico

GUADALAJARA (AFP) - Four gunmen with suspected ties to organized crime and three police officers were killed in armed clashes in the western Mexican state of Jalisco, authorities said Wednesday.

Officials said shots were exchanged Tuesday between local police and members of the Jalisco New Generation Cartel (known by its Spanish acronym CJNG) in the town of Tepatitlan de Morelos.

The CJNG drug trafficking ring also goes by the name Matazetas (Zetas Killers) because of its fierce rivalry with Mexico's notorious Zetas cartel.

The gunmen fled to a nearby farmhouse, where they holed up for hours after the gunbattle with police resumed, prompting authorities to evacuate nearby homes and schools.

Officials eventually were able to gain the upper hand after a protracted firefight that

they said left four police and one suspect wounded, in addition to the dead.

Officials said the Matazetas, one of Mexico's fastest growing criminal gangs, are active in the central state of Guanajuato and the western state of Michoacan.

It is one of several organized crime rings that have flourished as Mexico wages a battle to reduce violence that has led to 70,000 drug-related murders since 2006.

Judge blocks plan for all-Nissan New York taxi fleet

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - A New York state judge has blocked New York City's \$1 billion plan to replace the city's iconic yellow cabs with a taxi fleet made by Japanese automaker Nissan.

The plan by Mayor Michael Bloomberg's administration to create the "Taxi of Tomorrow" with a fleet of Nissan minivans breached the authority of the New York City Council, State Supreme Court Justice Shlomo Hagler said in a ruling Tuesday.

Hagler concluded that the New York City Taxi and Limousine Commission (TLC), a city administrative agency that picked Nissan in 2011 as the exclusive provider of New York cabs, "went beyond its prescribed regulatory authority in the City Charter."

"The notion that New York City should have one exclusive 'iconic' New York City

taxicab is a policy decision that is reserved for the City Council," Hagler said.

"As applied to this case, the separation of powers doctrine prohibits the City Council from delegating its policy-making authority to the TLC. Moreover, the TLC may not exercise its rule-making authority if it impinges on the City Council's policy-making authority."

The ruling could doom a major Bloomberg administra-

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Salmonella outbreak sickens nearly 300 in US



WASHINGTON (AFP) - An outbreak of salmonella in raw chicken has sickened nearly 300 people in the United States, officials said Wednesday as consumer advocates warned the federal shutdown was hampering a government response.

The 278 illnesses in 18 states were believed to be linked to raw chicken from three Foster Farms locations in California, according to the Food Safety Inspection Service.

"The outbreak is still ongoing, and therefore our investigation is still ongoing," a spokesman for FSIS told AFP, noting that 135 inspectors were on duty responding to the outbreak despite the government shutdown.

The shutdown, which began October 1, has sent hundreds of thousands of federal workers home without pay, includ-

ing staff at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Department of Agriculture and Food and Drug Administration.

It is the first shutdown in 17 years and was driven by a resurgence of Republican opposition to President Barack Obama's healthcare reform law passed in 2010.

The FDA has warned it would "be unable to support the majority of its food safety, nutrition, and cosmetics activities."

A CDC spokeswoman told AFP that six employees had been recalled to staff a network of public health labs that monitor for food-borne outbreaks, bringing the total number of employees on that project to seven.

"The shutdown has really handcuffed these regulatory agencies and their proper regulatory role," Eric Walker,

spokesman for Congresswoman Louise Slaughter, told AFP.

"This is the nightmare scenario, not just with the government shutdown but this is what happens when you overuse antibiotics in livestock."

A high proportion of people have been hospitalized -- 42 percent -- and some of the salmonella strains are showing resistance to antibiotics, according to the Center for Science in the Public Interest.

The consumer advocacy group also noted that seven strains of salmonella appear to be responsible for the sicknesses.

Foster Farms said in a statement that no recall is in effect and that "products are safe to consume if properly handled and cooked."

The FSIS warned that salmonella infections "can be life-threatening, especially to those with weak immune systems, such as infants, the elderly and persons with HIV infection or undergoing chemotherapy."

Common symptoms include diarrhea, stomach cramps and fever within eight to 72 hours of consuming infected food. Illness including nausea, chills and headache may persist for up to a week.

Haiti victims file cholera lawsuit against UN

NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Victims of a Haiti cholera epidemic Wednesday filed a lawsuit demanding compensation from the United Nations over an outbreak that killed more than 3,300 people.

The petition filed at the New York district court said at least 679,000 other people had fallen ill with cholera since the outbreak began in October 2010.

There had been no cholera in Haiti for at least 150 years until it was brought by UN peacekeeping troops from Nepal, lawyer Ira Kurzban told a news conference.

The United Nations, which refused to reach an out-of-court compensation settlement, said in February it was legally immune from action over the epidemic.

The epidemic's source has been traced to a river that runs next to a UN camp in the cen-

tral town of Mirebalais, where Nepalese troops had been based.

The strain of cholera the deeply impoverished Caribbean nation is the same as one endemic in Nepal.

"The outbreak resulted from the negligent, reckless, and tortious conduct of the defendants," said a copy of the petition seen by AFP.

It lists the defendants as the United Nations, the UN Stabilization Mission in Haiti and at least two of their officers.

The US-based Institute for Justice and Democracy in Haiti (IJDH), which is representing 8,000 victims and families of those who died, says cholera continues to kill about 1,000 Haitians a year.

The petition said the Haiti epidemic had also resulted in additional cholera cases in Cuba, the Dominican Republic and the United States, at least.

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Apple sets iPhone launch for 50 new markets



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - Apple's new iPhone models, coming off record opening sales, will be launched in more than 50 new markets by November 1, including Russia, Spain and Italy, the company said Wednesday.

The iPhone 5S and 5C will go on sale in 35 additional markets starting October 25 and another 16 on November 1, an Apple statement said.

Apple launched the new handsets last month in the United States, China and a handful of other markets, and reported nine million sold in the first three days, in the biggest iPhone launch in the company's history.

The new devices, including the lower-cost iPhone 5C, are aimed at helping Apple reverse market share losses against smartphones using the Google Android operating system, which hold about three-fourths of the market.

The new iPhones will be launched October 25 in Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, French West Indies, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Macau, Malta, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Reunion Island, Romania, Russia, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Korea, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Taiwan and Thailand.

A November 1 launch has been set for Albania, Armenia, Bahrain, Colombia, El Salvador, Guam, Guatemala, India, Macedonia, Malaysia, Mexico, Moldova, Montenegro, Saudi Arabia, Turkey and the United Arab Emirates.

The new phones went on sale last month in the United States, Britain, Australia, Canada, China, France, Germany, Hong Kong, Japan, Puerto Rico and Singapore.

Apple said last month that more than 200 million of its

smartphones and tablets are now running the redesigned operating system iOS 7, "making it the fastest software upgrade in history."

The new operating system has a bolder look, and includes the free iTunes Radio launched by Apple. It is a free upgrade for a number of iPhones and iPads sold in the past couple of years.



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Typhoon Fitow kills 10 in east China province

BEIJING (AFP) - Ten people have died after a typhoon slammed into China's east coast, including a family of three who were all killed by electric shocks, state media re-

ported Wednesday.

Five others are still missing after Typhoon Fitow brought heavy rains to Zhejiang province, Xinhua news agency reported, citing local

authorities.

Fitow made landfall early Monday, affecting about seven million people in 11 cities in Zhejiang, with houses torn down and grain flooded, Xin-

hua reported.

On Wednesday, Xinhua said the rain had flooded roads and houses, causing river breaches and power failures, with more than 250,000 people still without power that morning.



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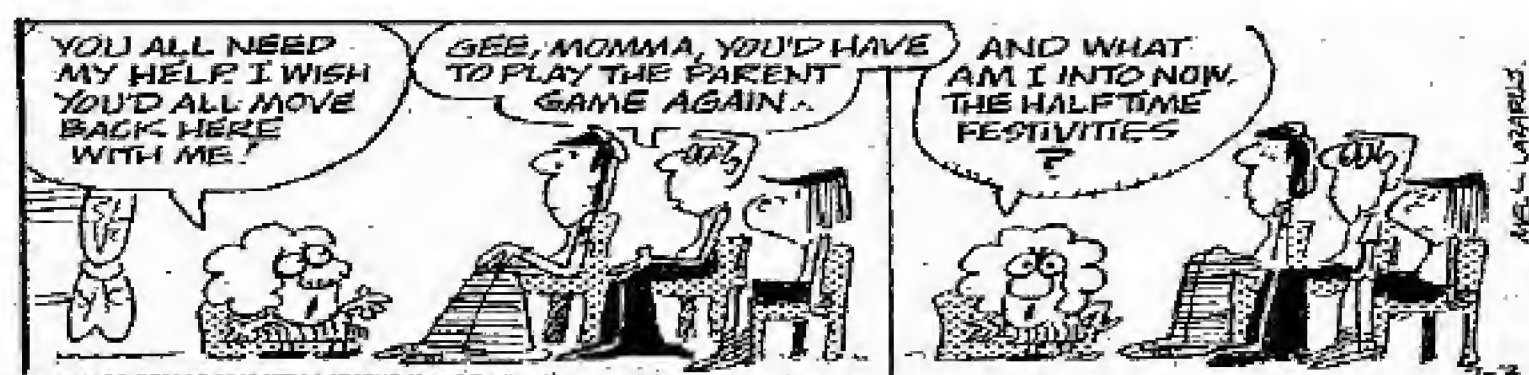
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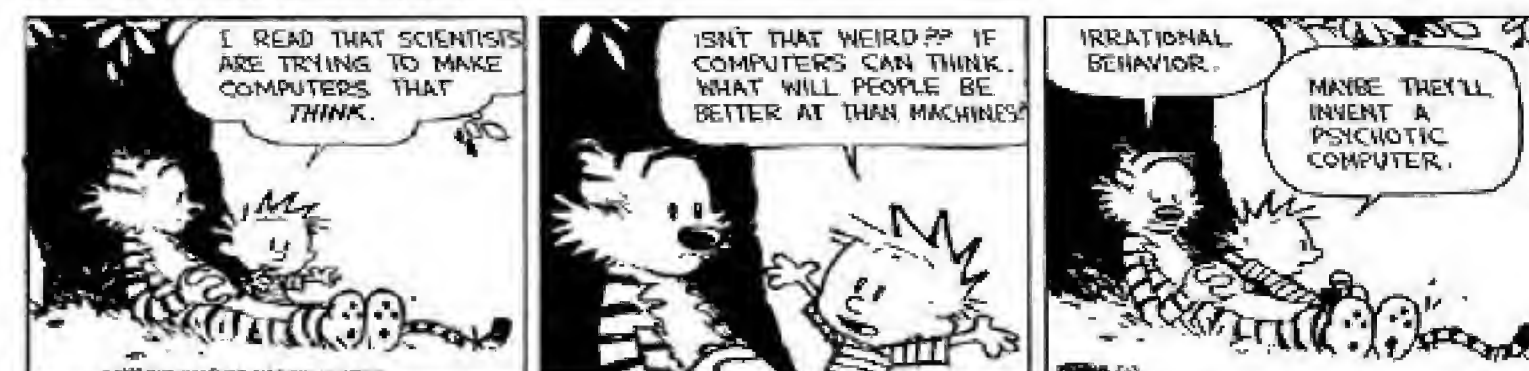
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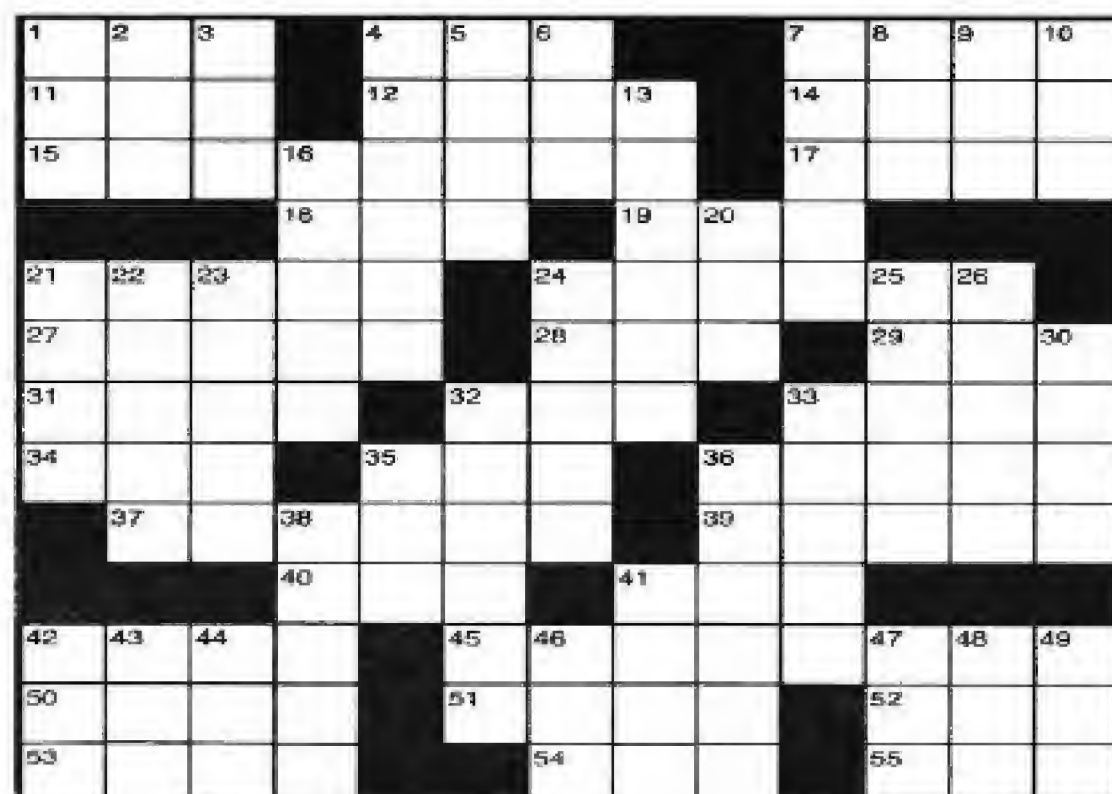
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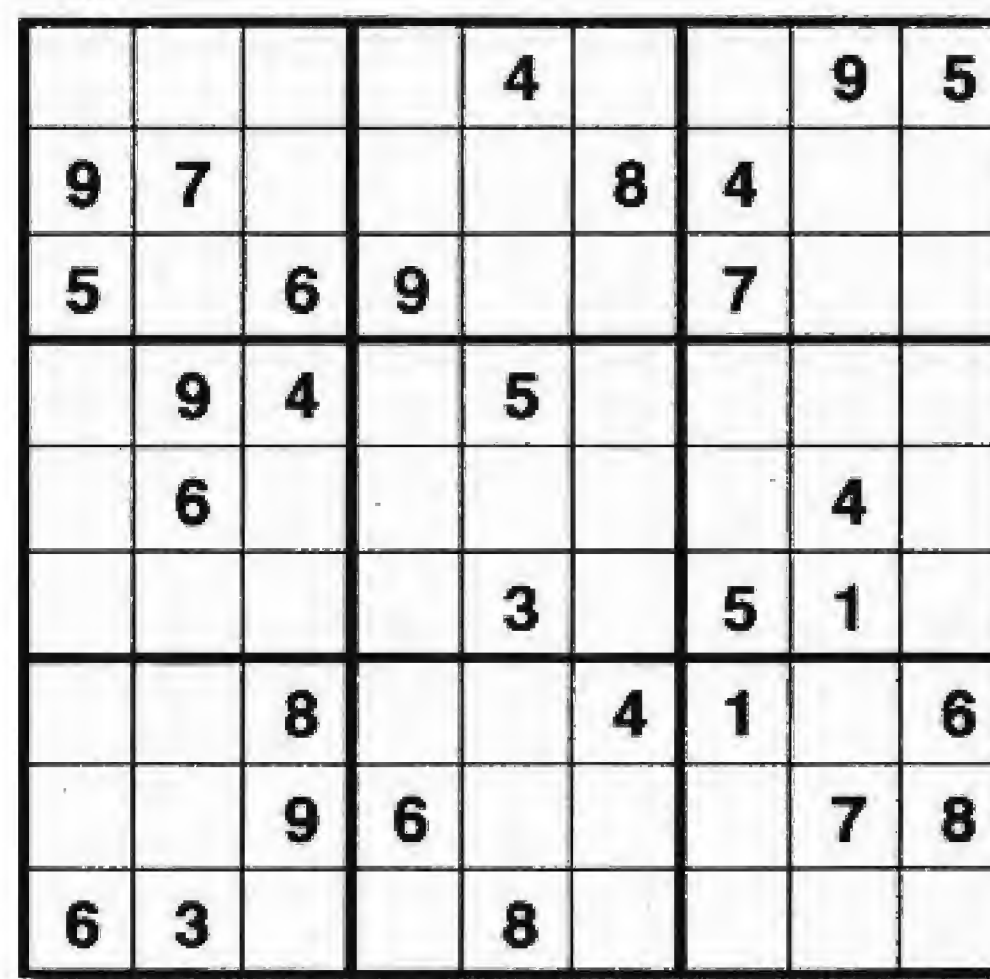
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Netherlands	EUR	230.59	232.69	243.13
Sweden	SEK	25.91	26.63	28.07
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Organic food sales in the Netherlands top €1bn for the first time

DEN HAGUE -- Consumers spent a record €1bn on organic food last year, up 14% on 2011, according to economic affairs ministry figures.

Some 90% of organic products were bought in ordinary supermarkets such as Albert Heijn and Jumbo, while the rest was sold at specialist shops, farm shops and farmers markets.

"Organic food is now widely available," said Bavo van den Idsert, director of BioNext which carried out the research for the ministry. "In addition, a quarter of organic farms now do direct sales and have an on-line shop or farm shop."

While demand for organic

meat, potatoes, vegetables and fruit rose, sales fell slightly for organic dairy products.

Willem-Alexander and Máxima to visit S. America

King Willem-Alexander and queen Máxima will make a 'getting to know you' visit to Venezuela and Colombia at the end of November.

The state information service RVD has not yet announced the visit, but sources confirmed the trip.

The visit to the South American countries comes at the end of an already planned trip to former colonies in the Caribbean which are now independent but still part of the Netherlands.

The two South American countries are important to the Dutch Caribbean islands. Venezuela works closely with islands such as Curaçao in the drugs war in the area. The Netherlands is the most important European investor after Spain in Colombia.

FINANCE

Obama chooses 'exceptionally qualified' Yellen for Fed

WASHINGTON (AFP) - President Barack Obama on Wednesday nominated economist Janet Yellen to lead the Federal Reserve in a move expected to sustain outgoing chairman Ben Bernanke's focus on cutting American joblessness.

With the US economy still-struggling for momentum, Obama praised Yellen, currently Bernanke's vice chair at the Fed, as "exceptionally qualified" to be named "one of the most important policymakers in the world."

The appointment of Yellen would put a woman at the head of the world's most powerful central bank for the first time, when Bernanke leaves his post at the end of January next year.

The nomination of a new Fed chair comes amid widespread concern that its path toward exiting its easy-money policies could send economic shivers around the globe.

"America's workers and families will have a champion in Janet," Obama said at a White House ceremony, flanked by Yellen and Bernanke.

On a serious note, Obama said Yellen "sounded the alarm early" about the housing and financial bubbles that led to the 2008-2009 recession.

"She doesn't have a crystal ball, but what she does have is a keen understanding of how the markets and the economy work, not just in theory but also in the real world," the US president added.

Yellen, 67, an economist with years of experience in academia and the Fed, made clear she was not going to break with current easy-money policies aimed at pushing



Wednesday.

"President Obama has made a sound decision in nominating Janet Yellen to be Chairman of the Federal Reserve. Janet has extraordinary experience and a proven track record of strong judgment and management savvy," Warren said in a statement.

The committee's senior Republican, Mike Crapo, was more measured, saying her nomination would be "carefully reviewed" especially in light of the Fed's \$85 billion a month bond-buying stimulus, known as quantitative easing.

"I continue to strongly disagree with the Fed's use of quantitative easing, and am eager to learn Ms. Yellen's vision for the direction of the Federal Reserve," Crapo said.

One of her first tasks as Fed chief, if confirmed by the Senate, will be to judge how quickly to taper the huge stimulus. Economists and markets had widely expected it to be scaled back at the September meeting of the Federal Open Market Committee which both Bernanke and Yellen took part in.

But the FOMC made clear it believed that the economy still needed its support, at least as long as the US capital remained paralyzed over issues of funding the government in fiscal 2014, which started on October 1 without an official budget.

And it was also worried about the possibility that the government would be forced to default on its obligations if Congress did not raise the \$16.7 trillion borrowing ceiling by October 17, when the Treasury says it will run out of cash without fresh borrowing power.

down unemployment, still high at 7.3 percent in August.

"More needs to be done to strengthen the recovery, particularly for those hardest hit by the Great Recession," she said as she accepted Obama's nomination.

"The mandate of the Federal Reserve is to serve all the American people. And too many Americans still can't find a job, and worry how they'll pay their bills and provide for their families."

Yellen's nomination was not a surprise after the presumed favorite, former Treasury secretary Lawrence Summers, pulled out of the running due to opposition from Obama's Democratic allies in the Senate.

Though criticized by conservatives as a Fed "dove" -- one of a camp allegedly too determined to stimulate growth and not adequately worried about the threat of inflation -- Yellen's reception in the Senate is likely to be better than that of Summers.

Senator Elizabeth Warren, who was part of the Democratic revolt on the Senate Banking Committee against a Summers nomination, gave Yellen a thumbs-up on

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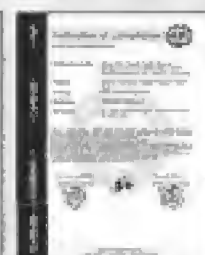
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Alarming suicide rates among Brazil's Guarani Indians

SAO PAULO (AFP) - Survival International, a non-profit which champions the rights of indigenous people around the world, on Wednesday highlighted alarming suicide rates among Brazil's tiny Guarani Indian tribe.

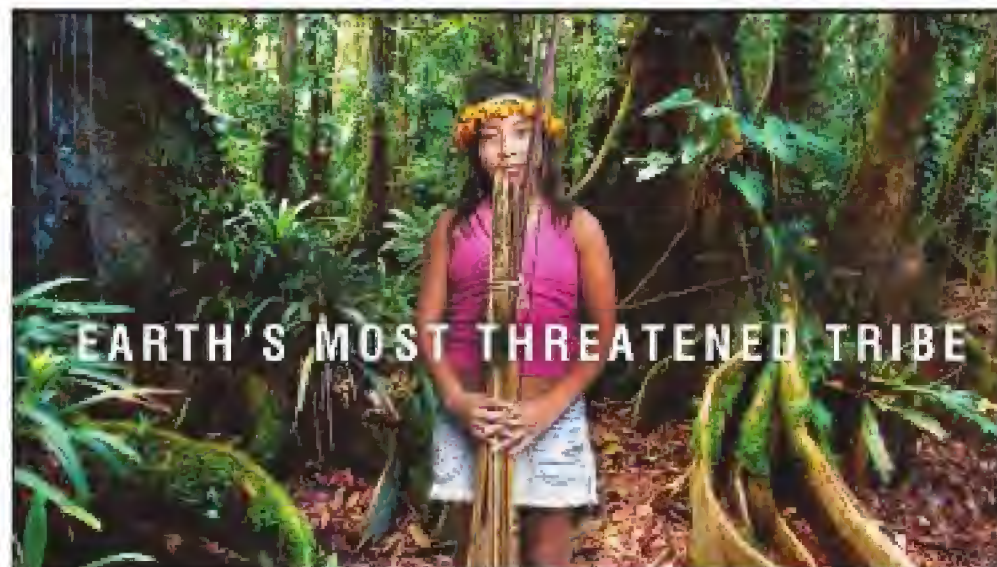
"The tribe faces a suicide rate at least 34 times the national average due to the loss of their ancestral lands and constant attacks by gunmen," the London-based group said in a statement.

Guarani Indians, whose total population in Brazil is estimated at 46,000, have been trying to recover a small portion of their original territories, but face violent resistance from wealthy ranchers as well as soya and sugar cane plantation owners.

Survival wrote in a statement issued on the eve of World Mental Health Day that, on average, at least one Guarani has committed suicide every week since the start of this century.

The group cited Brazilian health ministry data indicating that 56 Guarani Indians committed suicide last year, although it added that the actual figures are likely to be higher due to under-reporting.

"Most of the victims are between 15 and 29 years old, but the youngest recorded victim was just nine years old," Survival



vival said.

"The Guarani are committing suicide because we have no land. We don't have space any more," Rosalino Ortiz, a Guarani tribesman, was quoted as saying.

"In the old days, we were free. Now we are no longer free."

Brazil's indigenous activists last week protested outside Congress in Brasilia against a constitutional reform that would transfer from the executive branch to legislators authority to approve and demarcate native lands and environmental conservation parks.

The Justice Ministry subsequently forwarded a legal finding to the House of Deputies, slamming the amendment.

"We believe this measure is not only ill-timed and inappropriate, but also unconstitutional," said Justice Minister

Jose Eduardo Cardozo.

"The demarcation of Guarani land should have been completed many years ago, but the process has stalled," Survival said.

It urged the Brazilian government "to demarcate Guarani lands as a matter of urgency" and pressed US agribusiness giant Bunge and other such firms "to stop buying sugar cane from Guarani land."

Roughly 12 percent of Brazil's land currently is recognized as indigenous territory.

Native Indians grouped in 305 tribes represent less than 0.5 percent of the more than 200 million Brazilians.

World Mental Health Day, a United Nations-backed initiative, is held on October 10 each year to raise awareness about mental health issues worldwide.

Marilyn Monroe plastic surgery files to be sold



LOS ANGELES (AFP) - Medical files proving that screen icon Marilyn Monroe underwent cosmetic surgery including on her nose and chin are to be sold at auction next month, auctioneers said Tuesday. The files going under the hammer include X-rays of the "Some Like It Hot" sex symbol who died aged 36 in 1962, as well as doctors' notes which show she had an ectopic pregnancy five years before her death. "Rumors regarding Marilyn Monroe's plastic surgery continue to astonish the media and public," and exactly what procedures she underwent has "long remained a mystery," said Julien's Auctions in Hollywood. "Because her looks were so natural, it was hard for many to believe the reports that in 1950 Monroe had undergone her first plastic surgery." But it said the files "clear any doubt of Monroe's early plastic surgery procedures and cast new details on the actual procedures that would transform (Monroe) during a time when plastic surgery was not a popular procedure." The medical records refer to Monroe by various aliases, including Marilyn Miller. She saw Dr. Michael Gurdin from July 1958, and her chief complaint was "chin deformity." In 1950 she had a cartilage implant in her chin, which the doctor said slowly began to dissolve. The implant was done as part of a procedure called a tip rhinoplasty, on the end of Monroe's nose, the record show. She also had a bout of neutropenia in England in 1956 and an ectopic pregnancy in New York in 1957. The last entry is dated June 7, 1962, recording a fall in the middle of the night, resulting in swelling and tenderness of the nose. Six X-rays show her nasal bones and teeth. She used the pseudonym Joan Newman at that time. The auction will be held on November 10 at Julien's Auction's premises in Beverly Hills.



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-- During these days the trio from the Porto Alegre Club is in preparation for the XX World Masters Championship scheduled to take place in Brazil.

The trio has been training for months with the Brazil Championship in mind. Their goal is to bring home a medal for Aruba...that is their dream.

Enricko Pieterella who is training and guiding the other two athletes has set his goal for Aruba. Enricko Pieterella is well known in the world of athletics. He triumphed for Aruba during his time. He now dedicates his time to coaching the other two athletes. Enricko is also going to Brazil and will participate to demonstrate what he is still capable of doing.

The trio of the Porto Alegre Club is leaving Aruba on October 16 to Brazil where they will be competing in the following disciplines:

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Football: Germany out to claim Brazil berth against Irish

BERLIN, (AFP) - Germany coach Joachim Loew has said he is eager to dispatch the Republic of Ireland and confirm the German's Brazil 2014 berth in Friday's World Cup qualifier in Cologne.

Loew's Germany are five points clear at the top of Group A and need just a point to confirm their World Cup place against Ireland, who are fourth in the group under caretaker manager Noel King after Giovanni Trapattoni's resignation last month.

"Our goal is to secure qualification on home soil, we have had good memories of playing in Cologne, it's a tight stadium full of passionate fans and we want to make sure of the win," said Loew in Wednesday's press conference.

Loew has said he expects a tough match against the Irish, who he described as "defensively strong", and does not expect a repeat of Germany's 6-1 romp in Dublin during last

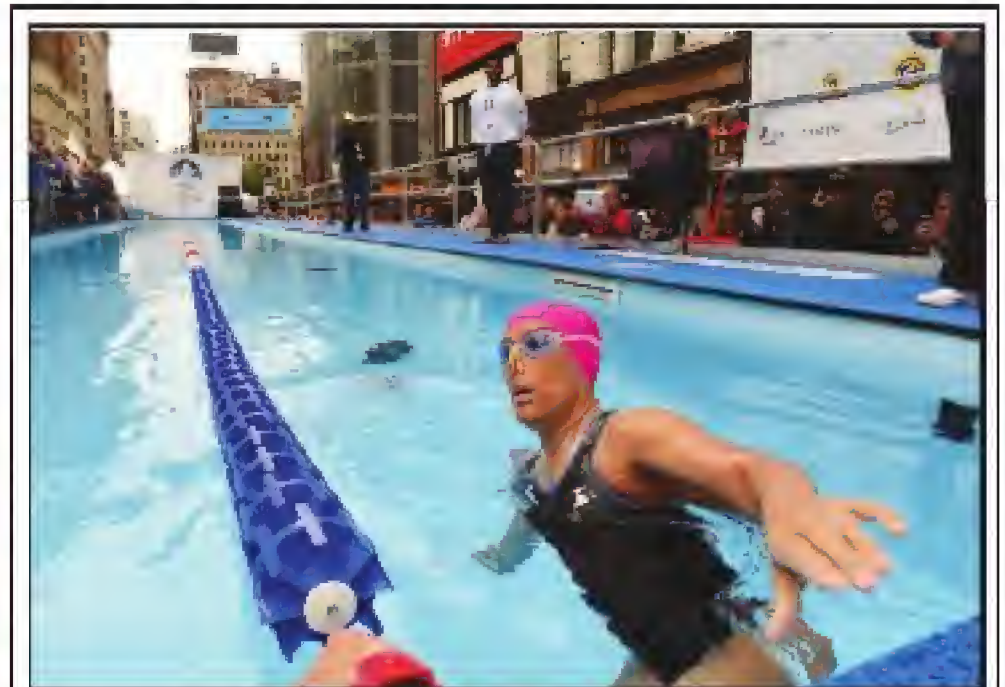
year's qualifier.

The Germans are eager to wrap up their qualification at home ahead of Tuesday's final qualifier away to Sweden in Stockholm.

Against the Irish, Germany will be without injured winger Marco Reus and striker Miroslav Klose, who scored three of the six goals in Dublin between them, and it remains to be seen who Loew opts for as his lone striker.


Untested 25-year-old Max Kruse of Borussia Moenchengladbach is the only striker named in Loew's squad and the coach has already ruled out using Bayern Munich's right wing Thomas Mueller up front.

Loew has also said Bayern Munich captain Philipp Lahm will remain at right-back, despite having been switched to defensive midfield by Bayern coach Pep Guardiola for the European champions.



NEW YORK (AFP) - Long distance swimmer Diana Nyad swims during "Swim for Relief" at Herald Square in New York, October 9, 2013. "Swim for Relief" is raising funds to help victims of Hurricane Sandy. Fresh from her record breaking swim from Cuba to Florida, Nyad plans to swim 48 hours continuously in a 120-foot long (36-meter) two lane pool installed in Herald Square.


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MLB: Red Sox rally over Rays to reach ALCS

TAMPA (AFP) - Shane Victorino smacked an infield single to snap a seventh-inning tie and Japan's Koji Uehara posted a four-out save, sending the Red Sox to the AL championship series with a 3-1 win over Tampa.

Victorino hit the go-ahead RBI single in the top of the seventh inning Tuesday night as the Red Sox won the first round best-of-five series three games to one.

"It feels great," said Boston outfielder Jacoby Ellsbury. Boston will face either the Oakland A's or the Detroit Tigers, who beat the A's 8-6 Tuesday to level their Major League Baseball series at two games a piece.

Red Sox Uehara, who gave up the game-winning home



run in the ninth inning on Monday, struck out Tampa's Evan Longoria to get the final out of the contest.

Tampa Bay, who used nine pitchers Tuesday, tried but failed to keep the Red Sox's champagne on ice for the second-straight game. The resilient Rays were facing their fifth must-win game in an eight day span.

In Monday's game three, Jose Lobaton clubbed a game-winning solo homer in the bottom of the ninth inning off Uehara and the Rays overcame a three-run deficit to pull out a 5-4 victory in game three.

Boston starter Jake Peavy, who was making his first post-season start on Tuesday since 2006, surrendered five hits and struck out three in just over five innings of work.

Right hander Jeremy Hellickson was the first of nine pitchers that Tampa manager Joe Maddon used on the night as he exhausted the bullpen by the ninth inning. Hellickson gave up one hit and walked two in just one inning of work.

"It was an interesting game," said Maddon. "We just couldn't score runs against their pitching."

In the other AL game Tuesday, Max Scherzer came on in

relief and slumping Austin Jackson belted an RBI single as Detroit rallied to beat Oakland to force a deciding game five.

Game one winning pitcher Scherzer came out of the bullpen to escape a bases-loaded, no-out jam in the eighth and Jackson snapped his hitting slump with a tie-breaking bloop single to cap a two-run rally in the seventh that gave the Tigers the lead for good.

The Tigers trailed 3-0 and 4-3 in front of the crowd of 43,958 at Comerica Park but refused to give up as they set up a winner-take-all game five back on Thursday in Oakland.

Detroit's Victor Martinez also hit a game-tying leadoff home run in the seventh inning that was reviewed because a Detroit spectator reached over the railing and made contact with the ball.

Scherzer came on in relief of starting pitcher Doug Fister in the seventh inning. After Scherzer got out of his bases-loaded jam, the Tigers tacked on three runs in the bottom of the eighth for some insurance.

They needed it in a drama-filled game four because Oakland made them work for the come-from-behind win.

Racing: Sheikh Joann buys Filly for world record £5.25m

LONDON (AFP) - Qatari Sheikh Joann Al Thani paid a world record for a yearling filly on Wednesday when he successfully bid five million guineas (£5.25 million, \$8.38 million) at the Tattersalls bloodstock auction in Newmarket, eastern England.

The yearling, a daughter of 2001 Derby winner Galileo and Alluring Park, was also the most expensive horse of any age sold at public auction in Europe, beating a record set in 2006 by Magical Romance (4.6m guineas).

Sheikh Al Thani, son of the Emir of Qatar, was much taken by her pedigree, being a sister of 2012 Epsom Oaks winner Was.

Mandore International's Nicolas de Watrigant, the agent who bought the filly on

the Sheikh's behalf said she will be trained in France by 24-time champion trainer Andre Fabre.

Fabre receives the horse despite the Sheikh winning France's prestigious race the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, Europe's premier flat all-age race with Treve, an unbeaten filly trained by Fabre's French rival Criquelette Head-Maarek at Longchamp on Sunday.

Treve was ridden to victory last weekend by French jockey Thierry Jarnet after British-based Italian rider Dettori fractured his ankle just days before the race.

Treve's latest victory saw her emulate Zarkava's 2008 feat of winning the French Oaks, Prix Vermeille and Arc all in the same season.

NFL: Jets QB Sanchez has season-ending surgery



NEW YORK CITY (AFP) - New York Jets quarterback Mark Sanchez underwent season-ending surgery on his throwing shoulder, the National Football League club announced Tuesday. Sanchez suffered the injury during the fourth quarter of the Jets' third exhibition game against the New York Giants. He was placed on injured list on September 14. In 15 contests last season, Sanchez threw for 2,883 yards with 13 touchdowns and 18 interceptions. He was sacked 34 times and lost eight fumbles.

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Sri Lankan Fernando banned for life by FIFA

ZURICH (AFP) - Former Sri Lankan football chief Manilal Fernando was banned from football for life by world governing body FIFA on Wednesday after an appeal by him against an original judgement failed disastrously.

Fernando, a former member of the FIFA Executive Board, had appealed against an original eight year ban imposed on him at the end of April, while the chief investigator in the original case Michael J Garcia also appealed against the leniency of the punishment.

The FIFA Appeal Committee reached a decision in favour of Garcia.

Fernando is an ally of former Asian soccer boss Mohamed bin Hammam, who is fighting claims of bribery and financial misdeeds.

In March, FIFA said it was initially suspending Fernando in the wake of an investigation opened in October 2012. It said the action was "in order to prevent interference with the establishment of the truth regarding ethics proceedings".

His suspension was thought to be related to investigations into scandal-hit ex-AFC chief bin Hammam, whom he had backed strongly.

The Qatari businessman was accused of trying to buy votes in FIFA's 2011 presidential vote, and banned from football.

Fernando accompanied bin Hammam on a trip to Caribbean nations ahead of the vote. Bin Hammam was later accused of trying to bribe officials during the visit.

The Qatari resigned as AFC head last December, shortly after FIFA's ethics committee launched a new probe into corruption claims against him.

He remains suspended from football despite having the FIFA life ban overturned last year.

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Valerie Eman receives Coaches Certification Program in Guyana

-- Swimming Instructor, Valerie Eman, has completed a "FINA Swimming Coaches Certification Course," on Level 1, called "The Foundation of Coaching." The course was divided into three parts over three days and was held at the "National Aquatic Center, Liliendaal," which is equipped with an Olympic pool. Rick Powers, former swimmer of the USA, after becoming a trainer of the US as well as internationally, facilitated the course. Powers has

44 years of experience as a swimming trainer. During two full days, participants of the course attended six hour sessions. On the final day they did the final exam. The course covered subjects dealing with biomechanics, fundamental coaching skills, educational skills, understanding skills, communication skills, developing philosophies and sports psychology.

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The Subsidy Commission congratulates Valerie Eman with her course of the FINA Swimming Coaches Certification Program level 1.

Great job, Valerie!